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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Nobuhiko HAYASHI, et al.

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Examiner: D. Le

For: NITRIDE-BASED SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT AND METHOD OF FORMING
NITRIDE-BASED SEMICONDUCTOR

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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In the Office Action dated January 24, 2003 the Examiner imposed a requirement to elect one of the following species:

Species I. Claims 1 through 6 directed to the embodiment of Figs. 12 through 18; or

Species II. Claims 9 through 11 (presumably intending claim 7 through 11) directed to the embodiment of Figs. 20 through 28.

In response Applicants elect to prosecute Species I, i.e., claims 1 through 6 directed to the embodiment of Figs. 12 through 18. Favorable consideration of claims 1 through 6 is solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including

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extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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